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OPGS News

GIRC Hours. *The Grant Information Resource Center (GIRC)* provides technical assistance and information about resources that improve community services in the District of Columbia for its “customers” -District government, nonprofit, and faith-based representatives. The primary focus is to assist customers who either lack computer access or the knowledge to best use their existing computer technology to strengthen their organizations. The GIRC will be open Mondays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. and 2 p.m.-4 p.m., by appointment only. Thursdays are reserved for previous GIRC users. To make an appointment call 202-727-8900.

District Opportunities

Electronic Grants Clearinghouse. *The Mayor’s Office of Partnerships and Grant Services* is the clearinghouse for the Government of the District of Columbia’s grant programs. Notices and application packets are available for the following notices at: <http://opgs.dc.gov/>, select District Grants Clearinghouse.

District Agency	Funding Opportunity	Deadline
<i>Serve DC</i>	<i>AmeriCorps*State Grants</i>	<i>November 17, 2009</i>
<i>Department of Health</i>	<i>Capital Health Project Round 3 - Wellness Promotion</i>	<i>November 20, 2009</i>
<i>Justice Grants Administration</i>	<i>FY2010 Justice Assistance Grant: Youth Reentry and Violence Reduction</i>	<i>November 25, 2009</i>
<i>Justice Grants Administration</i>	<i>FY 2010 Local Funds Grant: Inmate and Family Support Services</i>	<i>December 2, 2009</i>
<i>Department of Transportation</i>	<i>Nannie Helen Burroughs Avenue Water Quality Monitoring</i>	<i>December 4, 2009</i>
<i>Department of Health</i>	<i>Chronic Care Initiative – Cycle 2</i>	<i>December 7, 2009</i>
<i>Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development</i>	<i>New Communities Youth Development and Wellness Grants</i>	<i>December 7, 2009</i>
<i>Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning and Economic Development (DMPED)</i>	<i>Neighborhood Investment Fund Target Area Project Grant (TAPG)</i>	<i>January 14, 2010</i>

Foundations

Creative Communities Fund. *Cultural Development Corporation* announces funds to support emerging and mid-career artists, artists exploring new and challenging ideas, and artists working to reach the next level in their careers. Project grants will be given to artists creating new work as part of the Flashpoint Gallery, the Source Festival, and the Mead Theatre Lab Programs.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations and individuals.

Deadline: December 17, 2009.

Funds: Awards range up to \$3,000.

Information: <http://www.culturaldc.org/projects/cci.html>.

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E Pluribus Unum Prizes. *Migration Policy Institute* announces funds to award programs that promote immigrant integration. The awards are intended to recognize exceptional immigrant integration initiatives that help immigrants and their children adapt, thrive, and contribute to the United States or that bring immigrants and the native born together to build stronger, more cohesive communities.

Eligibility: City or township governments, county governments, state governments, nonprofit organizations, individuals, small businesses and community-based organizations.

Deadline: December 10, 2009.

Funds: \$200,000 is available to fund 4 awards ranging up to \$50,000.

Information: awardsinfo@migrationpolicy.org; or go to: <http://www.migrationinformation.org/integrationawards/>.

GrantID: GD3638

Music Matters Grant. *Muzak Heart & Soul Foundation* announces funds to support educational reform in school music programs and independent music programs across the United States.

Eligibility: Independent school districts, public schools and nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: February 5, 2010.

Funds: Awards range from \$1,000-\$12,000.

Information: (800) 331-3340 or heart@muzak.com; or go to: <http://heart.muzak.com/what/grants.aspx>.

GrantID: GD3640

New Voices Community News Grants. *J-Lab: The Institute for Interactive Journalism* announces funds to support the start-up of eight micro-local news projects and support them with two educational websites.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations, public and state controlled institutions of higher education, and private institutions of higher education.

Deadline: February 15, 2010.

Funds: 8 awards are available to fund grants up to \$25,000. A match is required.

Information: (202) 885-8100 or news@j-lab.org; or go to: <http://www.j-newvoices.org/site/story/2010rfp/>.

GrantID: GD3642

Social Impact Business Plan Competition. *Social Impact Exchange* identifies social sector scaling initiatives with demonstrated impact and readiness to grow, and supports them with financial and consulting support. The competition has two tracks. The early-stage growth track is for organizations that have a strategy for scaling their social impact but are in the early stage of growth. The mezzanine-stage growth track is for organizations that have (a) a significant level of successful product/service adoption and demand from the target population, (b) demonstrated positive outcomes, and (c) defined strategies for scaling their social impact.

Eligibility: Nonprofit organizations.

Deadline: December 18, 2009.

Funds: Awards range from \$50,000-\$100,000.

Information: Growing Philanthropy Initiative at competition@socialimpactexchange.org; or go to: http://www.socialimpactexchange.org/bpc_entryprocess.cfm.

GrantID: GD3636

Individuals

Family Scholarship Program. *Western Union Foundation* announces funds to help two members of the same family move up the economic development ladder through education. Scholarships may be used for tuition for college/university education language acquisition classes, technical/skill training, and/or financial literacy.

Eligibility: Individuals.

Deadline: February 2, 2010.

Funds: Awards range from \$1,000-\$5,000.

Information: Institute of International Education at (303) 837-0788 or wufamily@iie.org; or go to: <http://foundation.westernunion.com/ourProgramsScholarships.html>.

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Announcements and Resources

Free Series of Webinars on Nonprofit Governance and the Revised IRS 990. The DC Bar Pro Bono Program offers a webinar series addressing the revised Form 990 which requires nonprofits to describe in detail their governance practices, including such issues as how the nonprofits manage conflicts of interest and set executive compensation. The series is designed to help you understand and comply with the new disclosure requirements. The webinars are held once a month from 12 p.m. – 1 p.m. Topics include: Building an Independent Board (12/2/09); Managing Conflicts of Interest (1/6/10); Setting Executive Compensation (2/3/10); The Role of the Board and the Audit Committee in Supervising the Independent Audit and Reviewing the Form 990 (3/3/10); and Developing a Culture of Transparency (4/6/10). To register, go to:

<https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/598666041>.

ING: Unsung Heroes Awards. The ING Unsung Heroes Awards program recognizes innovative and progressive thinking in education through monetary awards. Full-time educators, teachers, principals, paraprofessionals, or classified staff members with effective projects that improve student learning at an accredited K-12 public or private school are eligible to apply. The maximum award is \$25,000. Applications are due April 30, 2010. For more information go to: <http://www.ing-usa.com/us/stellent2/groups/dc/documents/companylobinformation/001143.pdf>.

Previous Announcements and Resources

2010 Bob Costas Grants for the Teaching of Writing. Bob Costas Grants support exceptional teachers who through their innovative teaching methods motivate their students to write. Winning teachers are awarded grants to enhance successful projects currently under way. Projects can be carried out in school (public or nonpublic), through an after-school writing workshop, or during a summer program. Teachers from all academic disciplines grades 6-12 are eligible to enter. Awards are \$3,000. The deadline to apply is November 20, 2009. For more information, go to: <http://professionals.collegeboard.com/k-12/awards/costas>.

Applications Available for 2010 Mayor's Environmental Excellence Awards. District of Columbia businesses and nonprofit organizations may now apply for the 2010 Mayor's Environmental Excellence Awards. Administered by the District Department of the Environment (DDOE), the awards program is in its second year and will recognize winners in seven categories. The awards recognize environmental stewardship, innovative best practices, pollution prevention and resource conservation in the following categories: Construction/Development; Partner (Association or Nonprofit); Restaurant/Food Service; Innovation in Green Products or Services; Hotel; Small Business (100 or fewer employees); and Large Business (More than 100 employees). Applications and instructions can be found at <http://ddoe.dc.gov/awards>. The application period ends January 29, 2010, and awards will be distributed in the spring.

Celebrating Solutions Awards. *Mary Byron Project*, a national organization working to address the root causes of domestic violence and help build safer, healthier communities announces awards to showcase and applaud local innovations that demonstrate promise in breaking the cycle of violence. The program provides cash awards of \$10,000 to each organization. The awards would be presented to programs that can serve as models for the nation in their efforts to reduce violence. Eligible applicants are non-profits organizations and government agencies. Application deadline is November 17, 2009. For guidelines and nomination forms go to:

<http://marybyronproject.org/CelebratingSolutions.html>.

DC Cancer Consortium Grant Opportunities. DC Cancer Consortium (DCCC) seeks to award grants to qualified community-based nonprofit organizations experienced in serving the needs of medically-underserved residents and communities. These grants are not intended to provide resources for the delivery of clinical services. Grants will be awarded for projects focused on outreach and education strategies that improve cancer

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screening, diagnosis, treatment, and recovery for medically underserved populations, based on documented racial and ethnic disparities, insurance status, and geographic scarcity of resources. Please visit <http://www.dccancerconsortium.org/rfps/index.html> for more information.

Free Team and Leadership Assessment and Feedback. Mr. Darrell Harvey is seeking teams to participate in a research study of factors affecting the dynamics of organizational teams. Participating leaders will receive feedback regarding their leadership approach, while teams will receive feedback regarding team characteristics that often impact team effectiveness and satisfaction. Mr. Harvey is an organizational consultant who has over 20 years experience consulting with organizations on team and leadership effectiveness. He is also a graduate student in the doctoral program in Industrial/Organizational Psychology at Pennsylvania State University. The study is being conducted as part of the degree requirements in the program. The study requires the team leader and members to complete brief surveys about their leadership approach and team characteristics, respectively. Participating teams should have between approximately 4 and 15 members and have a designated leader (manager, chairperson, director, etc.). The principal data collection focus is on organizations in the Washington, DC, Maryland and Virginia region, organizations from other regions that have multiple teams will be considered. The study will be conducted over the next few months. Please email dh Harvey@psu.edu if you are interested in participating in the study or would like more information. The deadline for signing up for the study is Dec. 7, 2009, although space is limited, so please contact us as soon as possible, if you are interested.

Parent Engagement Toolkit. The Annie E. Casey Foundation and America's Promise Alliance developed a toolkit to engage parents in dropout prevention and development strategies to ensure the success of all children. The toolkit is a resource for Dropout Summit conveners and community leaders bringing the parent voice into the planning process and the development of local and state action plans addressing the dropout crisis. To access the toolkit go to <http://www.americaspromise.org/Resources/ParentEngagement.aspx>.

SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards. The 2010 SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Environmental Excellence Awards recognize the outstanding efforts of students and teachers across the country who are working at the grassroots level to protect and preserve the environment. Entrants must demonstrate significant accomplishments that have occurred prior to the submission deadline. Schools (grades K-12) and community groups are eligible to apply. The maximum award is \$10,000. The deadline to apply is November 20, 2009. For more information, go to: <http://www.swbg-animals.org/conservation-matters/eea/about.htm>.

Washington Post 2010 Award for Excellence in Nonprofit Management. This award recognizes outstanding management practices in the nonprofit sector and inspires other organizations to strive to become more effective. The Award includes a cash grant of \$10,000 and a scholarship to Georgetown University's Center for Public and Nonprofit Leadership's Nonprofit Management Executive Certificate Program. Up to four honorable mentions will be awarded along with a \$2,500 cash grant. The deadline is December 7, 2009. To learn more about the award or access the application, go to: http://www.nonprofitadvancement.org/newsletter1852/newsletter_show.htm?doc_id=1041188.

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